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# MICHIGAN BOARD OF MEDICINE RULES COMMITTEE WORK GROUP MEETING

# JUNE 28, 2023 MINUTES

The Michigan Board of Medicine Rules Committee Work Group met on June 28, 2023. The meeting was held via Zoom.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Weston MacIntosh, JD, Departmental Specialist, called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

**Members Present:** Cara Poland, MD

Ali Moiin, MD

Angela Trepanier, MS, CGC

Members Absent: None

**Staff Present:** Debi Haigh, Departmental Analyst, Licensing Division

Weston MacIntosh, JD, Departmental Specialist,

**Boards and Committees Section** 

Stephanie Wysack, Board Support Technician,

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#### WELCOME

RULES DISCUSSION: Genetic Counseling – General Rules (A copy of the draft rules, pursuant to today's discussion, is attached.)

R 338.2471 License renewals.

**Subrule (5):** MacIntosh stated that this subrule was new and was being added to all professions with continuing education requirements, providing a timeline for the submission of a request for a continuing education waiver.

The committee agreed with the language as presented.

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## R 338.2473 Acceptable continuing education; requirements; limitations.

**Subdivision (1)(d):** MacIntosh stated that this new subdivision clarified that implicit bias training can be counted as continuing education.

The committee agreed with the language as presented.

**Subdivision (2)(a):** MacIntosh stated that he had received a request to add language to allow for joint providership agreements to be allowed in completing continuing education.

Poland stated that adding the language would provide broader opportunities to completing continuing education.

MacIntosh provided sample language to add to after Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education.

The committee agreed with the suggested language to allow for joint providership.

R 338.2481 Certification; active candidate status; requirement.

**Subrules (2) and (3):** MacIntosh stated that the department requested a reporting deadline for a change in a qualified supervisor.

The committee agreed to the language added in subrule (2) and the movement of the current language in subrule (2) to subrule (3) as presented.

RULES DISCUSSION: Medicine – General Rules (A copy of the draft rules, pursuant to today's discussion, is attached.)

R 338.2421 Accreditation standards for approval of medical schools and medical residency programs.

MacIntosh stated that the rule had been updated to reflect the most recent standards.

MacIntosh asked the committee if their intent with the rule was to continue to not recognize and to not approve ACGME-I (international) post graduate medical training programs.

The committee stated that was correct.

R 338.2431 Examination; adoption; passing scores; limitation on attempts.

**Subrule (4):** MacIntosh suggested removing this subrule as passing all parts of the USMLE examination was still a requirement for full licensure, so the time limit to complete them may be an otherwise unnecessary barrier to licensure.

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Moiin suggested changing the time limit of completing all parts USMLE examination instead of removing the subrule.

Trepanier agreed with extending the time limit, as removing it could reduce the individual's knowledge.

Poland stated that aligning with other states, such as using a 10-year time limit, would provide flexibility to the individuals trying to obtain licensure in many states.

Discussion held about the licensee being in residency at the time they are preparing for Step 3, and that the residency training and passing of Step 3 is a good measure of the individual's knowledge.

The committee agreed to remove subrule (4).

## R 338.2427 Licensure by endorsement.

**Subdivision (1)(d)(i):** MacIntosh asked the committee if the requirement of passing all parts of the USMLE examination and satisfying the maximum number of attempts on the USMLE examination under R338.2431 was still necessary for licensure via endorsement.

The committee agreed that all licensees needed to be held to the same examination standards, whether it be by examination or endorsement.

The committee agreed to leave the requirements of providing proof of passing all parts of the USMLE examination and to keep the maximum number of attempts requirement.

#### R 338.2441 License renewals.

**Subrule (5):** MacIntosh stated that this subrule was new and being added to all professions with continuing education requirements, providing a timeline for the submission of requests for a continuing education waiver.

The committee agreed with the language as presented.

#### R 338.2443 Acceptable continuing education; requirements; limitations.

**Subdivision (2)(a):** MacIntosh stated that the same sample language being added after Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education in the Genetic Counseling – General Rules above would apply here as well.

The committee agreed with the suggested language to allow for joint providership.

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**Section (2):** MacIntosh stated that the department had received a request to add a continuing education requirement on detection of injuries attributable to child abuse. He stated that while the topic was obviously important, past discussions have concluded that these types of requests tend to be inappropriate to require in the rules, as they would then have to apply to all licensees, including those whose practice the requirement may not be at all relevant to, and since there is no end to the number of important topics in the medical field, it was best instead for the particular physician to decide what specific continuing education was relevant for practice.

Discussion was held.

The committee declined to add a continuing education requirement for identifying child abuse.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MacIntosh stated that the rules may be available to the board to vote on at the July 19, 2023, meeting.

MacIntosh adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Prepared by: Stephanie Wysack, Board Support Technician Bureau of Professional Licensing

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